ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND TERRITORIAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS

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- ► The Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials, a non-profit trade association, representing all 50 States, five territories, and the District of Columbia (the States) on environmental issues.
- ▶ Founded on October 22, 1974 in Atlanta, Georgia.
- ▶ Located in Washington, DC.

WHAT IS ASTSWMO?

Mission Statement:

To enhance and promote effective State and Territorial programs and to affect relevant national policies for waste and materials management, environmentally sustainable practices, and environmental restoration.

WHAT IS OUR MISSION?

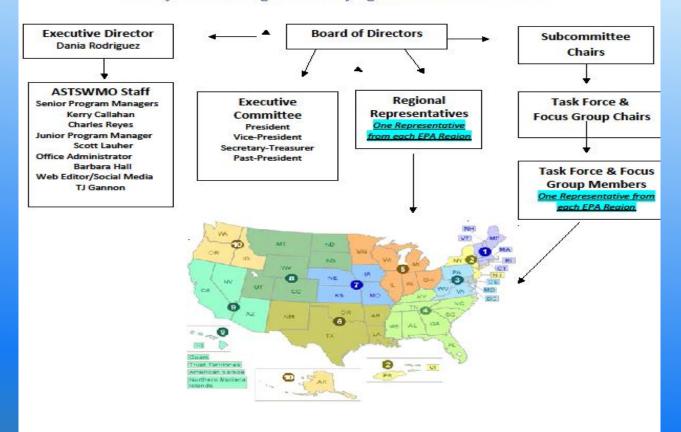
- Represent the States to the various sectors, including the Federal Government on State environmental issues and the State programs.
- Educate and train our members on current policies, and initiatives.
- ▶ <u>Issue position and guidance papers</u>, conducts webinars, participates in symposiums to increase knowledge of different programs and best practices.
- ► <u>Foster better communication</u> and effective joint action between the Federal Government and the States, as well as, among the membership.

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- Structure of ASTSWMO: http://www.astswmo.org/main/about.html#bod
 - ▶ Board 14 members
 - Executive Committee comprised of the President, Vice-President, Immediate Past-President, and Secretary-Treasurer
 - ▶ One representative from each of the 10 EPA regions
 - Members
 - ▶ Constitute all States, Territories, and D.C.
 - ► Main DC Office Executive Director, Senior Program Managers, Junior Program Manager, Info. and Tech. Specialist, and Office Administrator.
 - Subcommittees comprised of representatives from member States and staffed by a program manager
 - ► Task Forces/Focus Groups a subdivision of a Subcommittee that focuses on a specific area of a Federal program/issue

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Appendix A: ASTSWMO Organizational Chart and Policy for Allocating and Identifying Direct and Indirect Costs



- Broadly, we work in the areas of waste management, materials management, restoration, clean-up, and pollution prevention.
- ► Our Subcommittees take a more in-depth look at each of these areas and provide the information and guidance on Federal programs.
 - ► CERCLA and Brownfields
 - ► Federal Facilities
 - ▶ Hazardous Waste
 - Materials Management
 - ▶ Tanks
- The Subcommittees also seek to maintain a close partnership with the US EPA and DoD, and strengthen ties with the various State agencies.

WHAT AREAS DO WE WORK ON?

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS 2014 - 2019

- ► GOAL 1: PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERSHIP
 - ► Letter to Senate Appropriations
 - ► Letter to EPA on regulatory reform
 - ► Ad Hoc Workgroups: CCR, CERCLA 108(b), PFAS
- ► GOAL 2: ENHANCE AND CULTIVATE PARTNERSHIPS
 - ► MOU with SWANA
 - Joint Meetings: Horinko Group
- ► GOAL 3: LONG-TERM SUSTAINABLE ORGANIZATION
 - Board continuing to work on long-term fiscal strategy
 - Succession and long-term planning: next generation

SECURING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONAL

What are the collective **VE** doing about getting young professionals into our environmental programs?

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FIVE GENERATIONS OF EMPLOYEES IN TODAY'S WORKFORCE

SO WHO ARE THE DIFFERENT GENERATIONS?

Here is how they are often grouped:



TRADITIONALISTS:

Value authority and a top-down management approach; hard working; 'make do or do without'.



BABY BOOMERS:

Expect some degree of deference to their opinions; workaholics



GENERATION X:

Comfortable with authority; will work as hard as is needed; importance of work life balance.



GENERATION Y

Respect must be earned. Technologically savvy; goal and achievement oriented.



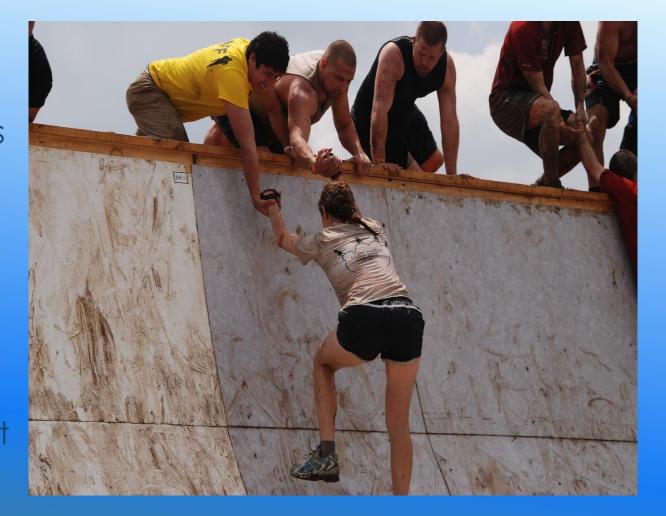
GENERATION Z:

Many traits still to emerge. Digital natives, fast decision makers, highly connected.

- Managers and leaders face an unprecedented challenge
- Managers and leaders are responsible for solving how to get up to five generations working side by side in their workforce
- <u>Each generation</u> brings its own life stage, communication preferences, priorities, and more
- Next generation of public servants will be fundamentally different
- http://genhq.com/five-generations-of-employees-in-todaysworkforce/

CHANGING LANDSCAPE

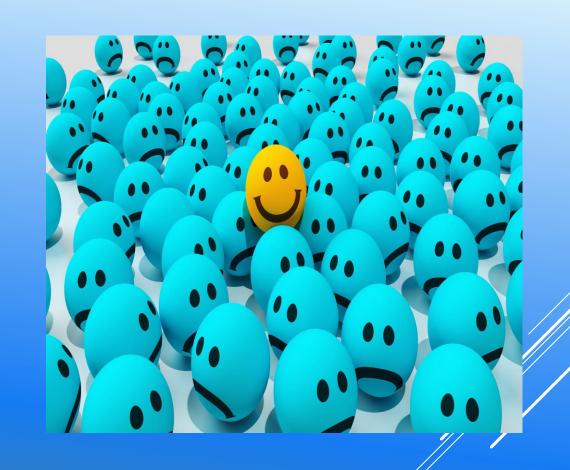
- Engagement
- Grooming leaders
- Expertise
- > Trust
- ▶ Training
- Mentoring
- Hiring practices
- > Phased retirement



CHALLENGES

- 1. Appreciation for your work
- 2. Good relationships with colleagues
- ➤ 3. Good work-life balance
- 4. Good relationships with superiors
- > 5. Learning and career development

HAPPINESS FACTORS



- Challenges for millennials and probably for next generation, Gen Z in the workforce:
 - 50% use their own applications because corporate apps don't meet their needs
 - 78% say workplace environment impacts their decision to stay a job
 - 50% say flexible work hours & freedom to work from anywhere improves work life balance
 - > 37% would accept a pay cut to more flexibility on the job

https://www.slideshare.net/ChristophBauer/what-millennials-and-young-professionals-want/7-What_young_professionals_want_ChristophBauerLets

WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT

- > 50% of the workforce by 2025
 - ▶ By 2020 Millennials will be 35% of workforce and Gen Z will be 24%
- > 69% don't believe regular office attendance is necessary
- > 78% of job seekers are motivated by how innovative a company is
- > 53% would rather give up their sense of smell than technology
- https://www.bls.gov/opub/mlr/2012/10/art1full.pdf
- https://www2.deloitte.com/content/dam/insights/us/articles/3884_Meetthe-US-work-force/DUP_Meet-the-US-workforce-reprint.pdf

CHANGING WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT

- We need to realize that each of us have strengths
 - Are you a boomer or gen-x that doesn't know technology then reach out to that millennial!
 - A millennial that wants to learn more then go find that boomer or gen-x to learn something new
 - **MENTORSHIP**
- Must work together
- Learn from each other

WHAT CAN THE COLLECTIVE WE DO





- ► Learn more about what we do and what we're working on by visiting our website at www.astswmo.org
- You can also reach us by <u>phone</u>: (202) 640-1060
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